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In re Application of:

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Application No. 09/973,044

Art Unit: 3722

Filed: October 10, 2001

Examiner: Monica Carter

For: INTEGRATED PLASTICIZED
CARD IN A PAPER CARRIER
AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURE

Atty Docket: P66623US1

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
UNDER 35 CFR § 121**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 31, 2002 (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 4), Applicant submits the following Remarks without amendment.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a); and any fees required for consideration of this paper and any papers associated with it (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

REMARKS

Claims 1-29 are pending in the application. No amendments have been made to the application.

Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121

In the Office Action dated January 31, 2002, election was required of one of the following inventions: invention I (claims 1-24 and 27-29) and invention II (claims 25 and 26).

In response to the restriction requirement, applicant elects invention I, claims 1-24 and 27-29, without traverse.

Conclusion

All requirements of the Examiner have been complied with. Thus, it now appears that the application is in condition for examination and allowance. Should any questions arise, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned representative so that this case may receive an early Notice of Allowance.

Favorable consideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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